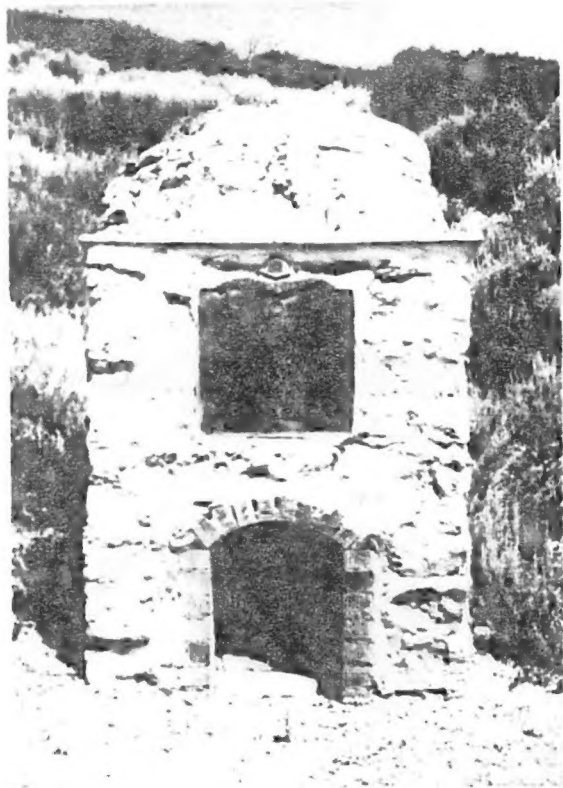


THE LIME KILN

As you travel north along River Road from Main Street, approximately two blocks from the intersection, there is a marker at the base of Memorial Hill at the site of the old Midway Lime Kiln.

About the turn of the century the limestone business was very important to the town of Midway. There were several large limestone hills, in the area of what is now the Mountain Spaa and the Remund Ranch, which were worked for the purpose of making bricks, plaster, and other construction materials used in the building trades of the area. The old theater and the high school in Park City, are made from Midway Limestone. Almost all of the mortar used in the sandstone buildings not only in Midway, but also in Heber City, comes from Midway Lime. They even came from the Lehi Sugar Company to Midway for limestone chips to be used in the refining of the sugar beets.

The kiln itself was dug deep into the side of Memorial Hill so as to use the dirt as insulation. The operation employed a number of men, some to cut wood to keep the fire going, some to mine the limestone, some to haul it, others to haul the finished product both far and near. The operation was run by a William Van Wagoner, known locally as "Lime Kiln Bill".



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